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Method and Apparatus for Solid State Molecular Analysis

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2001. A Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of time is respectfully requested. The appropriate fee and the Petition are filed concurrently herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows

56. (Twice Amended) A molecular array for characterizing molecular interaction events, comprising:

(a) a substrate; and

(b) at least one molecular deposition domain on said substrate wherein the spatial address of the domain is less than one micron in area and each domain includes a biologically or chemically based molecule directly deposited on the substrate.

Please add the following new claims.

76. (New) An array for the identification of a target material comprising:
a silicon substrate including a substantially flat surface; and

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